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IN RE APPLICATION OF: G. F. SIGURJONSSON
SERIAL NO.: 10/725,633
FILED: December 3, 2003
FOR: **WOUND DRESSING**

GROUP ART UNIT: 3761
EXAMINER: M. J. Hand
ATTY. REFERENCE: SIGU3001/JEK/JJC

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated March 15, 2006 in the above application.

The applicants hereby elect species 1, as represented by a wound dressing with at least one compliant element corresponding to an intermediate portion of the absorbent core, for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-4, 6, 7, 11-15, 18 and 19 are readable on species 1, with claim 1 considered generic among the identified species. The applicants hereby reserve all rights to the non-elected subject matter.

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the applicants' attorney, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown below.

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